

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

In SDG 9 Growth and development are premised on the nature and quality of infrastructure. Basic infrastructure includes transport connectivity, communication etc. facilitating the processes of development.

For Assam, transport connectivity-road, rail, water and air is one of the most critical infrastructure components. Improving transport connectivity indeed, requires treating it as a system where effective inter-linkages are established between all modes of transport and all their components. Only then barrier-free mobility of goods and inputs can be ensured, production centres can be linked with markets and access can be provided to basic facilities like schools and healthcare centres.

Improving transport connectivity has been a priority for the Government of Assam during the last fifteen years. The Government has taken specific steps to improve the road connectivity in the state, particularly in rural and difficult to reach uncovered areas.

The Assam State Transport Corporation in the meantime surveyed 178 uncovered routes in rural areas across the state and submitted a project report under Chief Minister's Gramin Paribahan Yojana as per announcement of the Hon'ble Finance Minister in his budget speech in 2017-18.